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First Named Inventor	Blake Cumbers
Art Unit	3714
Examiner Name	Mark Alan Sager
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ii. ☐ Other _____

- b. ☒ Enclosed

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iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)

iv. ☒ Other Terminal Disclaimer

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

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ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)


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**RESPONSE WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION (RCE)**

Commissioner:

This is in response to the Office action dated June 29, 2007.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

Enclosed with the paper are the following:

1. Request for Continuing Examination (RCE).
2. Disclaimer

Applicant **Petitions the Commissioner** to extend the time for response to the Office action for one (1) month from September 29, 2007 to October 29, 2007.

REMARKS

I. Double Patenting

The Examiner has rejected the claims of the present application on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting over U.S. Patent No. 6,142,876 to Cumbers in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,770,533 to Franchi. Applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer relative to U.S. Patent No. 6,142,876 which is commonly owned with this '652 Application. Applicant has not made any claim amendments as the terminal disclaimer should overcome the double patenting rejection with the claims as previously presented.

II. Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance and, accordingly, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. Should any questions remain regarding the allowability of the application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

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